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Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a). whether the Government has implemented Digital India Programme to transform India into digital empowered society and knowledge economy;
(b). if so, the status of implementation of the digital India programme in all the Government departments;
(c). whether the Government has taken adequate necessary measures to sensitize all Ministries to this vast programme touching every corner of the Government and if so, the details thereof; and
(d). the steps taken/proposed to be taken to ensure that all the Ministries and Government offices are brought under digitization and all the information is uploaded with immediate effect to help citizens access information and knowledge?

Answer

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. Ministry of Electronics and Information technology (MeitY), Government of India has initiated the 'Digital India' programme with the vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy. Digital India is an umbrella programme that covers multiple projects of various Central Ministries/Departments & States/UTs and is being coordinated by MeitY. Each project has its own budgetary requirement and accordingly project-plan has been charted out by the implementing departments.

Digital India aims to provide the much needed thrust to nine pillars of growth areas that is (i) Broadband Highways, (ii) Universal Access to Mobile Connectivity, (iii) Public Internet Access Programme, (iv) e-Governance − Reforming Government through Technology, (v) e-Kranti− Electronic delivery of services, (vi) Information for All, (vii) Electronics Manufacturing − Target NET ZERO Imports, (viii) IT for Jobs and (ix) Early Harvest Programmes. The present status of some of the key initiatives undertaken by MeitY under Digital India progamme is as follows:

Pillar 1: Broadband Highways
â€¢ Under National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN)/BharatNet project, 2.22 lakhs KMs of optical fibre pulled for 1,00,322 GPs and 26,548 GPs have been connected till 30th July, 2017.
Pillar 2: Universal Access to Mobile Connectivity
â€¢ Rural Tele-density is 56.98% (as on 30th April, 2017).
Pillar 3: Public Internet Access Programme (as on 30th June, 2017)
â€¢ 3,00,774 Common Services Centres (CSCs) have been registered across the country, out of which, 1,96,922 are at Gram Panchayats(GP) level. Out of the total registered Common Services Centre, 2,61,071 CSCs are active and transacting for delivery of eServices; out of which, 1,63,226 are at GP level.
Pillar 4: E-Governance: Reforming government through Technology (as on 31st July, 2017)
â€¢ Aadhaar: Aadhaar provides 12 digit biometric and demographic based identity that is unique, lifelong, online and authenticable. Further to give statutory backing to Aadhaar 'The Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and Other Subsidies, Benefits and Services) Act, 2016' was notified. Over 116 crore residents have been enrolled.
â€¢ Direct Benefit Transfer(DBT): As on 31 March 2017, 140 schemes of 51 Ministries/ Departments are there on DBT platform. Till date an amount of more than Rs. 2.14 Lakh Crore has been transferred through DBT and the Ministries/Departments have reported savings of Rs. 57,029 crores in last three years due to implementation of schemes in DBT mode.
â€¢ Number of user Departments for e-Office is 263.
Pillar 5: eKranti- Electronic delivery of services
â€¢ 3438 e-services are being provided through 44 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) under e-Kranti. More than 1221.68 crore e-transactions with an average of 101.80 crore transaction per month were done during Financial Year 2016-17.
Pillar 6: Information for All (as on 31st July, 2017)
â€¢ MyGov Platform: 45 Ministries are engaged actively on MyGov platform, reaching out to the citizens through the fundamental concepts of Do, Discuss and Disseminate. Presently, 45.28 lakh users are registered with MyGov, participating in various activities hosted on MyGov platform. MyGov activities are structured under 61 groups consisting of 660 tasks, 728 discussions, 238 Polls/Surveys and 148 talks.
â€¢ Open Government Data platform: The portal is intended to be used by Government of India Ministries/Departments their organizations to publish datasets, documents, services, tools and applications collected by them for public use. Over 1,06,372 resources under 4189 catalogs have been published by 105 Ministries/Departments (81 Central and 24 states).
Pillar 7: Electronics Manufacturing - Target NET ZERO Imports (as on 30th June, 2017)
â€¢ 233 Investment proposals under Modified Specific Incentive Programmes (MSIPs) having a proposed investment of Rs. 1.44 lakh crores have been received so far. 97 proposals with proposed investments of Rs. 20,809 crores have been approved.
â€¢ 15 Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (EMCs) have been granted final approval and are under implementation.
â€¢ Electronic Development Fund has been launched and 22 daughter funds have been approved with a commitment of Rs. 1,227 Cr involving a total targeted corpus of Rs. 10,900 Cr.
Pillar 8: IT for Jobs (as on 31st July, 2017)

â€¢ 48,300 seats have been approved under India BPO scheme and over 18,160 seats have been allocated.
â€¢ 5000 seats have been approved for BPOs in North East and 1,610 seats have been allocated.
â€¢ Under Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (DISHA) Scheme, around 53.46 lakh candidates have been certified.
Pillar 9: Early Harvest Programme (as on 31st July, 2017)
â€¢ Over 77 lakh Digital Lockers have been opened. About 95.87 lakh documents have been self-uploaded and more than 187 crore documents have been issued. 31 Issuers and 9 Requester Organizations have been on-boarded. Digital Locker Authority has been constituted and Digital Locker rules have been notified.
â€¢ e-Hospital/Online Registration System (ORS) has been made operational in 121 hospitals and more than 65 lakh appointments have been taken online.
â€¢ More than 3.54 lakh contributors are now registered on the Digitize India platform. More than 9.99 lakh documents are digitized through Digitize India Platform (DIP). Currently more than 241.7 lakh snippets are digitised.
â€¢ Public Wi-Fi hotspots: Wi-Fi services have been provided at 86 tourist sites across the country.
â€¢ The National Scholarships Portal(NSP), a one stop solution for end to end scholarship process, have been implemented. Over 1.21 crore applications have been submitted through NSP. There are 20 registered schemes from 8 Ministries/Departments.
â€¢ National Centre for Geo-Informatics (NCoG) provides Geographical Information System (GIS) based services to Government Ministries/Departments for sharing, collaboration, location based analytics and decision support system (DSS) for various organizations. So far, 20 applications across various domains are operational.
â€¢ Rapid Assessment System has been integrated with 893 e-Services of 202 departments in 25 States/UTs.
â€¢ Jeevan Pramaan is an Aadhaar enabled biometric Digital Life Certificate for pensioners. More than 84 lakh pensioners have registered themselves to avail of this facility for their life certificates.
â€¢ eSign - Online Electronic Signature Service: eSign is an initiative for easy, efficient, and secure signing of electronic documents by an Aadhaar holder. Four agencies namely (i) eMudhra Ltd., (ii) C-DAC, (iii) (n)Code Solutions and (iv) NSDL e-Governance Infrastructure Ltd have been empanelled to offer e-Sign Services. More than 1.79 crore eSign have been issued.
(c): Government of India has undertaken various measures to sensitize all Ministries/Departments to digitally transform the nation and create opportunities for all citizens by harnessing digital technologies and services. Some of the major workshop/conference/trainings are as bellow:
â€¢ Capacity Building Scheme under Digital India programme in all the Central Ministries/Departments and States/UTs. The scheme addressed the critical 'Human Resource Development' and 'Training' components of e-Governance to provide technical & professional support to Centre & State level policy & decision-making bodies and to build the in-house capacity for implementation of various e-Governance initiatives.
o One−half day Orientation programmes: 11 programmes conducted and around 722 Government officials have been trained about Digital India and some of the important frameworks, guidelines and common service infrastructure initiatives.
o Orientation & Consultation on Emerging Themes (Thematic Workshops) Consultations: 16 workshops conducted where 3294 Government officials attended.
o Role-Specific in-Depth Trainings: 30 training programmes conducted and covered 687 Government officials.
o 11168 participants have been introduced to e-Governance and Digital India content through bouquets of training programmes during the last 2 years. Around 38,000 Government officers participated in short duration webinars through Learning Management System(LMS), MyGov and You Tube.
â€¢ Digital India week: The Digital India Week was launched by the Hon''ble Prime Minister on 1st July, 2015 aimed at encouraging people's involvement and creating awareness among them.
â€¢ Good Governance Week: A week-long celebration of Good Governance Week was organized by MeitY starting from 25th December 2015 at New Delhi. This event involved active participation from MeitY, Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and Department of Posts (DoP) and their agencies.
â€¢ International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV-2017): The tenth edition was organized in New Delhi, India during 7-9th March, 2017 in view of the strong resonance between the objectives of the ICEGOV series and Digital India programme of Government of India.
â€¢ e-Kranti: Electronic Delivery of Services has been approved by the Union Cabinet on 25.03.2015. Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) portfolio has increased from 31 to 44 MMPs. An Office Memorandum has been issued and all Central Ministries / Departments and States /UTs have been communicated about the e-Kranti and its importance.
â€¢ Under Open Govt. Data (OGD) project, Capacity Building/training/ presentations/ demonstrations have been provided to the Ministries/ Departments on process and procedure of releasing datasets in an open format.
â€¢ Under Rapid Assessment System (RAS) project, presentations/demonstrations have been given to various Ministries/Departments on process of integrating e-Governance services with RAS platform for obtaining feedback from the citizens availing the services.
(d): Some of the key steps taken by MeitY to ensure that all the Ministries and Government offices are brought under digitization and the information is uploaded with immediate effect to help citizen access information and knowledge are as follows:
â€¢ e-Kranti: e-Kranti- Electronic Delivery of Services is one of the piller of Digital India programme. Total of 44 Mission Mode Projects (MMPs) are being implemented. There are 13 Central, 17 State and 14 Integrated MMPs. These MMPs are providing e-Governance services in the areas such as education, healthcare, agriculture, justice, land records, social benefits, local governments, rural development, women & child development, legislature, local language, transport, financial services, etc. Currently, more than 141 crore electronic transactions per month are taking place at both national and state level e-governance projects including MMPs since January, 2017.
â€¢ e-Office: It is digital workplace solution which aims to usher in efficient, effective and transparent inter-government and intra-government transactions and processes. e-Office has been implemented in more than 263 Government departments/organizations.
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â€¢ Open Govt. Data (OGD): Open Govt. Data aimed to develop a platform intended to be used by Union Ministries/Departments, their organizations to publish datasets, documents, services, tools and applications collected by them for public use. All the Central Government Ministries/Departments have accepted the policy. As on 31st July, 2017, OGD India has 102,034+ dataset resources,

4,179 catalogs contributed by 105 Ministry/Departments, 1,102 Visualizations created, 1234-Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) created, 110 Chief Data Officers appointed. OGD India has been viewed 11.78 million times and 4.72 million datasets have been downloaded.
â€¢ Digitize India Platform (DIP): DIP aimed to develop a platform intended to provide digitization services for scanned document images or physical documents for any Govt. organization through crowd sourcing. As on 31st July, 2017, more than 3.54 lakhs contributors have registered on the platform and more than 9.99 lakhs documents have been digitized. Currently more than 241.7 lakhs snippets are digitized.

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